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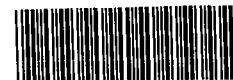
## METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

CITY OF ST. LOUIS • 1200 CLARK AVENUE • ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI 63103

May 11, 2007

Mr. Harry R. Steinmetz (3HS62)  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III  
1650 Arch Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

04/24/2007



SDMS DocID 2126311

RE: Required Submission of Information  
Safety Light Corporation Site  
Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania

Mr. Steinmetz,

Relative to the inquiry made by your office, I have answered the questions below to the best of my knowledge.

1. *Describe in detail the business relationship between the St. Louis PD and Safety Light.*

**The St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department never did business directly with the Safety Light Corporation. Our business transaction was with Sentex Systems, Inc., as follows below.**

**On (or about) August 15, 1990 our agency purchased a Scentor Portable Gas Chromatograph (SN 60K-168) from Sentex Systems, Inc at a cost of \$7,990.00. This device was used by our Bombing and Arson Unit for sensing explosive materials. Due to the device having an open radioactive source, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission required a license be obtained by our Department; it was, per license number 24-26109-01 and reference # 030-31465 (copy attached).**

**The device never worked as advertised, and after attempting multiple times to get it repaired, Det. Sgt. Sorocko (ret.) contacted Sentex Sensing Systems to return the product. Sentex instructed Det. Sgt. Sorocko to return the radioactive source to them by shipping it to them in an unmarked container. Our fee for return of the source was billed at \$400.00; Det. Sgt. Sorocko obtained the funds and sent them the source and payment as instructed. We then received the letter from Mr. Linenberg that the source was received and they were properly disposing of it with the manufacturer, as shown in your file.**

**To the best of our knowledge, Sentex Systems Incorporated were using appropriate business practices and abiding by any and all pertinent regulations.**

2. *Did the St. Louis PD ever transport and/or broker hazardous substances and/or radioactive wastes or other wastes that were disposed of or reclaimed by US Radium, Lime Ridge Industries, USR Industries, USR Metals, Metreal or Isolite to the Site?*

**No - the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department has never knowingly transported or brokered hazardous substances or radioactive wastes of any kind.**

3. *NA*

4. *Did the St. Louis PD ever generate radioactive wastes or other wastes that disposed of or reclaimed by US Radium, Lime Ridge Industries, USR Industries, USR Metals, Metreal or Isolite to the Site?*

**No - the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department does not generate hazardous substances or radioactive wastes.**

5. *NA*

6. *If you have reason to believe there may be persons able to provide more detailed or complete responses to any question contained herein, or who may be able to provide additional responsive documents, provide the names, titles, areas of responsibility, current addresses and telephone numbers of such persons as well as additional information or documents they may have.*

**No - my area of responsibility for the Agency is that of Emergency Management; this type of information is under my purview.**

7. *For each and every question contained herein, if information or documents responsive to this Information Request are not in your possession, custody, or control, then provide the names, titles, areas of responsibility, current addresses and telephone numbers of such persons from whom such information or documents may be obtained.*

**Copies of the relevant information have been attached to this letter. The actual purchase orders, etc. are no longer in existence.**

8. *If you have any other information about other parties who may have information that may assist the Agency in its investigation of the Site, or who may be responsible for the generation of, transportation to, or release of contamination at the Site, please provide such information. The information you provide in response to this request should include the party's name, address, type of business, and the reasons why you believe the party may have contributed to the contamination at the Site or may have information regarding the Site.*

**None - St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department has no additional information relating to any other business entity involved at this Site as described above.**

9. *If any of the documents solicited in this information request are no longer available, please indicate the reason why they are no longer available. If pertinent records or documents were destroyed or are missing, provide us with the following:*

- a. Document retention policy;*
- b. A description of how the records were destroyed and approximate date of destruction;*
- c. A description of the type of information that would have been contained in the documents; and*
- d. The name, job title and most current address known by you of the persons who would have produced these documents; the person who would have been responsible for the retention of these documents; and the person who would have been responsible for the destruction of these documents.*

**The only documents that are no longer in existence regarding this matter would be the original purchase orders, memorandums and requisitions inside of our Department. The standard practice of our Department is to keep records such as these for 13 months.**

**The documents in question would likely have been shredded, as is also standard procedure. Given that the purchase and return of the above item was over ten years ago, there is no way to definitively say who was responsible for the records, who retained them, or who destroyed them.**

**The only person who had direct involvement with this item is Detective Sergeant Stephen Sorocko, who is now retired from our Department. Should a U.S. EPA representative desire to speak to him, a specific request for contact information must be made to the Chief of Police, Joseph Mokwa. Department policy does not allow for the release of records such as this without the express permission of the Chief of Police.**

Should there be any other items I may be of assistance with in your investigation, please contact me as indicated below.

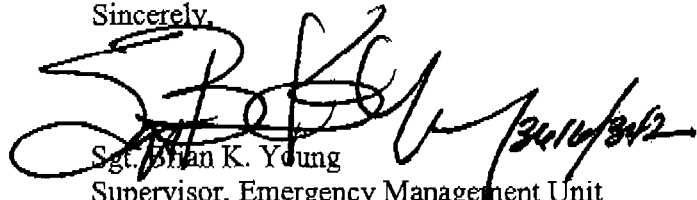
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Lt. Scott Gardner, Commander B&A  
Lt. Darla Gray, Commander EMU

Attachments:

US Regulatory Materials License Copy  
Sentex Systems Letter dated 9-13-96

Sincerely,



Sgt. Brian K. Young  
Supervisor, Emergency Management Unit  
Bureau of Patrol Support  
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St. Louis, MO 63110  
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**MATERIALS LICENSE**

rsuant to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-438), and Title 10, de of Federal Regulations, Chapter I, Parts 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 39, 40 and 70, and in reliance on statements and representations heretofore de by the licensee, a license is hereby issued authorizing the licensee to receive, acquire, possess, and transfer byproduct, source, and special lear material designated below; to use such material for the purpose(s) and at the place(s) designated below; to deliver or transfer such material persons authorized to receive it in accordance with the regulations of the applicable Part(s). This license shall be deemed to contain the conditions cified in Section 183 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and is subject to all applicable rules, regulations and orders of the Nuclear gulatory Commission now or hereafter in effect and to any conditions specified below.

Licensee		3. License number 24-26109-01	
St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department			
Bombing and Arson Section 1200 Clark Avenue St. Louis, MO 63103		4. Expiration date March 31, 1995	
		5. Docket or Reference No 030-31465	
Byproduct, source, and/or special nuclear material	7. Chemical and/or physical form	8. Maximum amount that licensee may possess at any one time under this license	
Hydrogen-3	A. Foil source (contained in a Sentex Sensing Technology, Inc. Model 50319 electron capture detector)	A. One cell not to exceed 150 millicuries	
Authorized Use			
To be used in a Sentex Sensing Technology, Inc. gas chromatograph for sample analysis.			

**CONDITIONS**

- Licensed shall be used at 1200 Clark Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri, and at temporary job sites of the licensee located throughout the City of St. Louis, Missouri.
- Licensed material shall be used by, or under the supervision of, Stephen F. Sorocho, Ronald J. Lingle, Robert M. Huggans, James E. Moran, Steve W. Alsup, Gary L. Knight.
- The Radiation Protection Officer for the activities authorized by this license is Stephen F. Sorocho.
- In lieu of using the conventional radiation caution colors (magenta or purple on yellow background) as provided in Section 20.203(a)(1), of 10 CFR Part 20, the licensee is hereby authorized to label detector cells and cell baths, containing licensed material and used in gas chromatography devices, with conspicuously etched or stamped radiation caution symbols without a color requirement.

**Sentex Systems Inc.**

DL-091396-14

September 13, 1996

Mr. Stephen Sorocko  
ST. LOUIS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPT.  
Bombing & Arson Section  
1200 Clark Avenue  
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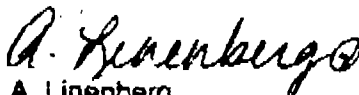
Dear Mr. Sorocko:

This letter shall confirm that we have received a radioactive source contained in the Scantor Portable Gas Chromatograph - S/N: 60K-168. As manufacturer of this instrument, we have removed the radioactive foil contained therein, and disposed of it by sending it back to its manufacturer, Safety Light Corp. in Bloomsburg, PA

If further information is required, please contact me directly.

Yours truly,

SENTEX SENSING TECHNOLOGY, INC.  
d/b/a SENTEX SYSTEMS, INC.



A. Linenberg  
Radiation Safety Officer

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